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to this subject on the floor have all done so in extremely good I think the legislation, as crafted by Senator Bohlke and the Education Committee, as is presented to us, is creative. It is, I think, a good piece of legislation. It's the type of bill that I typically would be supportive of and would be very happy to do so. But I, again, rise to caution you, and we can even stay appropriate, Mr. Lieutenant Governor, because the committee amendments take the sunset out of this legislation. Committee amendments make this an entitlement. That is fine. I think it's good. I don't have a problem with that. But it definitely changes the intent of what this legislative body put into statutory language in LB 1070, and that that would be, that this, the Health Care in Excellence Trust Fund (sic), would be a granting process. Now, would I have agreed with that if I was sitting in this body at that time? No, I wouldn't have, but that's what this body decided to do and, unless I'm mistaken, once 25 or more senators in this body vote to pass a piece of legislation it becomes law, and that s what happened on LB 1070. I can't understand in just two years how we can all forget the process we went through to establish that piece of legislation. Now are we going to just throw it out? Are we going to pass legislation in this body and ignore it? I don't think that speaks well for the policy making of this body. Is this an excellent...an excellent bill? Yes. Is it creative? do what I think we should do as far as using some of that Excellence in Health Care Trust Fund money? Yes. But is this Not at this time. ' just absolutely is not. the process? It's very difficult for me to stand up and oppose a piece of legislation that I like; that I think is going to do what we need to do. It's very difficult for me to oppose my friends, often are...we're very closely entwined on legislation that we introduce and we pass through this body. But if I ever, ever saw a slippery slope, we're really looking at one, and I mean it's covered with ice. Please remember, please remember that we have to look past today, folks. When last year I wasn't the one who asked for trust fund dollars to be used for my respite legislation, someone else did. At that point, I hadn't even reviewed the trust fund in LB 1070, didn't know what it meant, but, as public health people and other members of this floor brought it to me, I started to study that piece of legislation. I immediately saw that they were absolutely correct--we should not use the trust fund for that reason. And